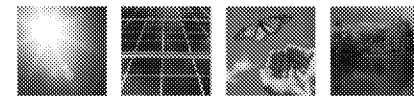


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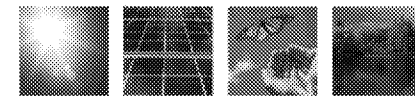
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*February 21, 2018*  
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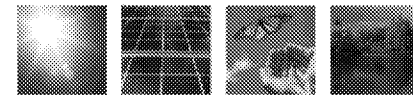
# Agenda:

- Housekeeping Announcements
- Introductions
- VDH Update: Beach Notifications Rulemaking
- Status of General Assembly “Ammonia” Bills
- Changes since proposed: Bacteria criteria for recreation waters
- Future Actions
- Adjourn



## G.A. Bills on Ammonia:

Bill #	Summary	Status
<b>HB 1374</b>	Directs SWCB not to adopt EPA freshwater ammonia WQ criteria	Stricken 2/7 by House ACNR Committee
<b>HB 1475</b>	Directs SWCB not to adopt EPA freshwater ammonia WQ criteria	House substitute passed 2/13; referred to Sen. ACNR Comm.
<b>HB 1608</b>	Authorizes DEQ Director to make WQIF grants to reduce ammonia-nitrogen discharges	House substitute passed 2/13; referred to Sen. ACNR Comm.
<b>SB 340</b>	Authorizes DEQ Director to make WQIF grants to reduce ammonia-nitrogen discharges	Passed Senate 1/17; referred to House ACNR Comm.
<b>SB 344</b>	Directs SWCB not to adopt EPA freshwater ammonia WQ criteria	Senate substitute passed 1/17; referred to House ACNR Comm.



# Bacteria Criteria – Changes Since Proposed

## Future Actions:

- Rulemaking NOPC:
  - comment period closed 12/8/17
  - 32 sets of comments received (+9 after close of comment period)
  - Staff finalizing response to comments document
- Timing & content of Final Proposal depends on response to ammonia criteria legislation
- SWCB summer meeting on 6/11/18